## **AMENDMENTS**

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## In the Specification:

Please replace the second paragraph on page 15 with the following amended paragraph.

Alternative flap configurations having been introduced and described with regard to FIG. 8, reference is now directed to FIG. 9, which presents a top view of an exemplary embodiment of the space saving scanner assembly 100 having a hinged flap assembly. As illustrated in FIG. 9, the space saving scanner assembly 100 may be configured with an optional flap attachment means. As shown in the top view of FIG. 9, the optional flap attachment means may take the form of a hinge <u>925</u> associated with the flap 310 and a plurality of posts configured to receive the hinge spatially arranged on the housing 300.

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